

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3834
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SILK INDUSTRY
Subba Shri Moni Kumar

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Assam Silk Industry is facing a serious crisis due to rising prices resulting in distress sale of finished products;
- (b) if so, whether the Assam Silk Industry/Government of Assam has approached the Union Government for a package to help the industry and the traditional Assam silk weavers;
- (c) if so, the details in this regard; and
- (d) the steps taken by Union Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI E.V.K.S. ELANGO VAN)

- (a) : No Sir. The state of Assam is producing mainly eri and muga silk varieties. Prices of eri and muga cocoons and yarn have shown only marginal increase.
- (b) : No such proposal has been received from Government of Assam.
- (c) & (d) : Do not arise.